

Remarks

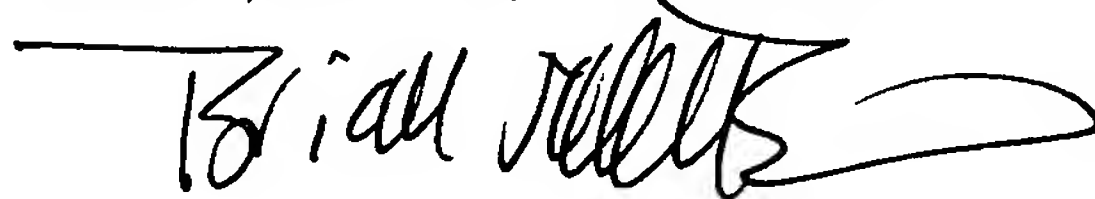
I. Support for the Amendments

The foregoing amendments are sought solely to place the sequence listing into proper format for U.S. practice, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.821-1.825, and enter no new matter. In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.825(a) and (b), the paper and computer-readable copies of the substitute sequence listing submitted herewith include no new matter and are the same. Hence, entry and consideration of the foregoing amendments are respectfully requested.

Applicants believe that a full and complete reply has been made to the Notice to File Missing Parts and, as such, the present application is in condition for immediate examination. If the Examiner believes, for any reason, that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number provided.

Respectfully submitted,

STERNE, KESSLER, GOLDSTEIN & FOX P.L.L.C.



Brian J. Del Buono
Attorney for Applicants
Registration No. 42,473

Date: Jan. 2, 2003
1100 New York Avenue, N.W.
Suite 600
Washington, D.C. 20005-3934
(202) 371-2600
::ODMA\HODMASKGF_DC1;88781;1

Version with markings to show changes made

In the Specification:

The sequence listing filed with the present application on January 18, 2002 (pages 1-133) is deleted, and the substitute sequence listing appended hereto (pages 1-193) is inserted therefor.